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HOOD RIVER FRUIT FAIR BIG SUCCESS

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apples were conceded by visiting experts to be one of the finest ever held in the United States by growers. Each grower had a space allotted to him and they vied with each other in making their exhibits attractive. Most of the orchards are named and over many exhibits was placed the name of the orchard, the name of the grower and artistic embellishments. The display of A. I. Mason, whom many of the Rogue River Valley farmers remember for the very practical addresses he gave at the series of fruit growers meetings that Dr. Withycombe conducted in this county in September, was conceded to be the finest in the fair and the different judges so held that opinion and gave him more awards than was secured by any other exhibitor. The exhibit covered a space 10x12 feet and above the boxes and plates of apples that were perfect in their coloring and symmetry was placed a handsome sign bearing "Liberty Home Farm" A. I. Mason, proprietor and by each side of it were large photographs of views of his orchard and home and the handsome park that adjoins his yard and is a grove of native and imported trees with a brook and an artificial lake to give an artistic effect—for Hood River farmers have parks and other beautiful things like other people who are making money. About the entire exhibit was draped bunting entwined with evergreens giving a most artistic effect.

The attendance at the fair was large and there were many fruit raisers present from all over the Northwest, though Rogue River Valley was only represented by two orchardists, M. L. Pellett, the big pear and apple grower of Talent, and A. D. Helms who has a fine orchard near Ashland. Many prominent men, including Senator C. W. Fulton, visited the fair and a number of the big Portland and other papers had representatives there. It is safe to say that Hood River will get out of their fair advertising that if paid in cash would cost \$5000. The fruit exhibits were all bought by visitors most of the boxes of apples being sent east to friends of the purchasers. A box of Winter Banana apples was purchased by Manager Tom Richardson, of the Portland Commercial Club, to be sent to President Roosevelt. These apples were so large that there were but 45 in the box and they were so uniform in size that they did not vary a 16th of an inch in diameter. They were of a rich, golden color and had a delicate aroma somewhat like a banana, hence their name. Fully 90 per cent of the apple exhibits were Spitzenbergs and Newtowns, those being the apples grown at Hood River for the market. While the display of these fine apples was good yet the Rogue River growers could easily equal it did they exercise the same care in cultivation, pruning, thinning and

picking and packing that is done by the Hood River orchardists. It would be a most profitable trip to the Rogue River growers if they would visit the Hood River orchards and note the methods employed by those progressive orchardists. The leading factor in the prosperity of the Hood River fruit raisers is the Hood River Apple Growers Union. This union was organized four years ago and the first year the members got 85 cents per box for their apples. The Union each year since has secured increasing prices until this year when the entire apple crop was sold to a New York firm at from \$2.25 to \$3.15 a box f. o. b. Hood River. And this extraordinary price was secured in competition with one of the biggest apple crops ever known in the United States. The high quality of the apples and the honest, perfect packing has much to do in getting these record breaking prices but advertising is a big factor and is liberally used by those hustling people. Sample boxes of apples are sent each year to all the big buyers of America and Europe and apples are given away by the box and by the car load as was done at the St. Louis, Portland and other world's fairs. Apples were everywhere in evidence at Hood River during their fair. Store windows were full of them and offices were festooned with them and the visitors were given all the apples they could eat. The Hood River badge at the fair was both unique and handsome for it represented a big red apple. The badge was of leather and on the center was pasted a perfect representation of a Spitzenberg apple while about the border were the words: "A Hood River Apple, The Best in the World," the letters being burned into the leather.

The Union owns a warehouse that is 40x100 feet of two stories, it being on a hillside so both floors are accessible to teams in delivering apples. The building is of wood with double walls, doors and windows to keep the rooms cool in Summer and warm in Winter. The lower floor is of concrete. On the second floor is a suite of two well furnished office rooms and the entire warehouse is perfect in its equipment. The apple packing is all done at the orchards. All the packing is done by packers in the employ of the Union and a foreman is in charge of each crew and does all the grading for the packers. The grower attends to the wiping of the apples and the nailing of the boxes. Two sizes of boxes are used, the special one for the large apples of the three-tier pack. Only blank boxes are used and at the orchard the foreman puts on with a stencil the growers name and number, his own number and the name of the apple and the number the box contains. At the warehouse when the apples are to be loaded on the car the handsome lithographed Union label is pasted on the other end of the box. This same rule is carried out with strawberries and so large is the shipments of the Union that during the rush season the O. R. & N. railroad has a switch engine placed at the service of the Union so that cars may be moved on the siding as they are loaded at the warehouse. The entire management of the packing crews and the force at the warehouse and the selling and shipping of the fruit is done by E. H. Shepard who with his capable assistant, E. A. Franz and a stenographer have their time fully occupied and the union's office is as busy a place as is found in Hood River. That Mr. Shepard is a most capable, energetic manager is proven by the fact that the business of the Union has steadily increased since he assumed charge and he has been able to command for Hood River apples a higher price than is had by any other Union in the United States. Manager Shepard and the Union's bookkeeper Mr. Franz, gave Mr. Meserve the fullest information as to all the details connected with the pack-

ing, loading and marketing of fruit as carried on by the Union and they also fully explained the system of keeping the accounts and records which they have so simplified that it is quite perfect and prevents errors or misunderstanding from arising. These gentlemen are also the editors of Better Fruit the only strictly fruit growers paper on the Pacific Coast. While it was only last July that the publication of Better Fruit was begun yet it so fills the demand for a paper devoted to Pacific Coast methods of fruit raising that it is meeting with the strongest support and its subscription list is gaining at a very rapid rate. Each number is a text book on horticulture and contains articles on fruit raising and marketing that alone are worth the price of the year's subscription. Every person who plants fruit trees as a financial venture should take Better Fruit and read it carefully and then put into practice the very practical ideas that it contains.

County Clerk's Semi-Annual Statement.

County Clerk's semi-annual report, showing the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of Josephine County, Oregon, for what allowed, the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid from the first day of April, 1906, to the first day of October, 1906:

Warrants outstanding April 1st, 1906	\$104,856 81
Warrants issued from April 1st to Oct 1st, 1906:	
County Court and commissioners' salary	696 00
Circuit Court, jurors, witnesses, bailiffs, etc.	3,713 35
Justice courts, jurors, witnesses, constable and justice fees	527 80
Sheriff's office, sheriff & deputy	1,459 96
Clerk's office, clerk, dep. etc	1,451 46
Treasurer's office, sal.	300 00
Coroner's office, cor. jur. wit, etc	168 20
School supt office, sal, etc	370 55
Stock inspector, sal.	75 00
Assessor's office, assessor and dep	1,121 46
Assessment and collection of taxes	1,131 00
Tax rebate	68 19
Current expense, printing, books, postage, etc.	874 97
Court house, janitor, water, light, fuel, etc.	717 95
Jail, board prisoners, building, poor jail, etc.	3,419 02
Care of poor, med attend, etc	2,294 87
Indigent soldiers	60 00
Insane, exam and expense	5 00
Reform school, commit.	30 30
Election, primary and June elect	2,083 51
Roads, lum, labor, sup, etc	7,763 83
Lewis & Clark exhibit	3 25
County Board of health, sal of secy, etc.	137 90
County High school	1,200 00
Estimated accrued interest	9,000 00
Total	\$143,520 98

CONTRA

Warrants cancelled from April 1st to Oct 1st, 1906 \$ 29,419 10
Cash in hands of treasurer Oct 1st, 1906..... 12,976 05
Taxes unpaid 1905 Roll..... 9,091 37
Amount due County from tax sales..... 2,784 72
Net liabilities..... 89,246 74
Total.....**\$143,520 98**
State of Oregon
County of Josephine
I, S. F. Cheshire, County Clerk of the County of Josephine, State of Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the number and amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said County for the six months ending October 1st, 1906, on what account the same are allowed and the amount of warrants drawn, and amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid as the same appears upon the records in my office and in my official custody.
Witness my hand and official seal this 10th day of October, A. D. 1906.
(SEAL) S. F. CHESHIRE, Clerk

County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report.

County Treasurer's report for six months, ending September 30th, 1906:

GENERAL FUND	
To Balance from last report	\$ 3,039 40
Cash from Sheriff on taxes	32,081 41
Cash from sheriff on poll tax	282 00
Warrants received on taxes	10,805 77
County clerk fees	1,743 28
Cemetery lots	63 00
Liquor license	1,000 00
Fines	36 90
Sheriff fees	43 80
Total	\$49,785 56

CONTRA

By amt transferred to county school fund..... \$ 1,988 58
State taxes..... 5,635 00
Warrants cancelled..... 25,401 26
Interest on same..... 3,970 45
Balance on hand..... \$12,740 27
Total.....**\$49,785 56**
SCHOOL AND OTHER FUNDS
To balance from last report..... 1,047 08
From general fund Co. appor-tionment..... 1,988 58
State school fund..... 3,960 80
Institute fund..... 33 00
City tax..... 2,824 07
Estate fund..... 5 65
School districts, special tax..... 9,169 28
Road districts..... 4,544 44
Total.....**\$35,563 00**

CONTRA

Am't paid on Co school orders..... 1,988 58
Am't paid on state school orders..... 4,58 00
Institute fund..... 11 00
Paid City Treasurer..... 2,797 23
Estate fund..... 5 65
School districts special tax..... 9,351 77
Road districts..... 4,516 28
Balance on hand..... 2,035 39
Total.....**\$25,563 00**
I, J. T. Taylor, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and cor-

rect statement of the amounts received, paid out and remaining on hand in the county treasury of said county for the six months ending September 30th, 1906.

Witness my hand this 15th day of October A. D. 1906.
J. T. TAYLOR,
County Treasurer.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Improvements consisting of good house, barn, fencing on 50 acres, tools, garden crop, etc., on 160 acres unsurveyed land on Limpy creek, for sale for \$400. Inquire Samuel Hawkins, Wilderville. 9-14 4t

THOROUGHbred Poland China hogs for sale. J. H. Robinson, Wilderville. 8-31 tf

FOR RENT.

OFFICE ROOM for rent—Courier building. Apply to A. E. Voorhies or J. W. Howard. 8-3 tf

WANTED.

WANTED—A steam boiler, 25 to 60 H. P. State price. Address Mt. Pitt Mining Co., Grants Pass, Ore. 10-12 2t

WANTED—Wood in exchange for wagon and carriage work by J. M. Newman, successor to G. M. Caldwell. 9-22 tf

WANTED—Grain Sacks, Tools and other second-hand goods. Harrison Bros., Second hand-store, corner Sixth and J streets. 2-9 tf

WANTED—Relinquishments on several good, well located timber claims. State particulars and price. Lock Box 68, Park Rapids, Minn. 10-19 2t

C. L. NOEL of Odessa wants loggers and timber cutters to deliver 2,000,000 feet of logs to mill by contract before snow flies; short haul, level roads, one 4-horse team, two trucks, chains, etc. furnished. Also left hand 3-gang edger wanted. Write or call at mill Odessa, Ore. 8-3 tf

LOST.

LOST—Nugget pin on the street last week. Finder leave at this office and receive reward. 10-12 2t

BOY'S COAT, 13-year-old size, grey mixed, Harth's mark inside. Reward at Courier Office. 10-5 tf

EASTMAN KODAK, No. 3 with case on Limpy creek bridge, September 30. Finder leave at Courier office. 10-5 2t

FOUND.

FOUND—Overcoat, man's size. Owner can have the same by proving property. Call at the Courier office. 10-5 tf

HELP WANTED.

TRAVELER for established House, \$12 per week. Expenses advanced. References. Address, with stamp, Jos. A. Alexander, Grants Pass, Ore. 10-19 1t

GIRL WANTED—A school girl who is able to cook and assist in light housework can get a pleasant place to stay by writing Box 468, Grants Pass. Work is very light. Only two in family. Close to high school. 10-19 1t

WANTED—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grows on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Toppenish, Washington. 9-28 tf

SITUATION WANTED.

NURSE—Firstclass nurse can be found on L street, near 4th—Mrs. Alice Weiser. 9-21 4t

MISCELLANEOUS.

ART SCHOOL of Grants Pass, room 5, Masonic Temple. Day classes in painting in oil colors, water colors, pastels, tapestry, etc., evening classes Monday and Thursday. Drawing Free hand and mechanical, architecture, perspective, etc. Call at Studio for particulars all day Saturday or Monday, or Thursday evenings. Prof. Geo. O'Brien.

FARMERS! If you want your farm sold, write me what you have and your price as soon as possible and I will include it with my Fall list which will go to the printer soon. I do not demand exclusive sale. W. L. Ireland, "The Real Estate Man," Courier Building. 10-5 tf

PIANO TUNING—Leave orders at the music store.—D. F. Armstrong. 9-28 tf

FASHIONABLE dress-making and tailoring. Mrs. T. C. Horr, 107 C street. 9-14 tf

FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.

CATARRH SEASON

Disease Most Prevalent in the Fall Months—Simple way to Cure.

At the first warning of catarrh, one should begin using Hyomel. There is no stomachic dosing with this treatment. The medication of its healing oils and balsams is taken in with the air you breathe so that it reaches the most remote cells of the nose, throat and lungs, killing the catarrh germs wherever present, and soothing all irritations in the mucous membrane.

You run no risk in paying Rotermund \$1 for a Hyomel outfit as he gives his personal guarantee that if the remedy does not afford relief, your money will be refunded at once. Extra bottles of Hyomel, if needed, cost but 50 cents, making it the most economical treatment for catarrh as well as the only one that is sold on guarantee.



Dutchess Trousers for Fall

We have this week received the complete line of Trousers for Fall and Winter in those nobby gray Stripes and Plaids. Some patterns are cut special, knee 21, 19 across the shoe. Call and see them.

Also Schloss Clothing that can't be beat for STYLE and WORKMANSHIP, regardless of PRICE—\$12.00 to \$27.50.

Caterers to the neat dressers.

P. H. Harth & Son, Inc.

TO PUSH THE SALE OF ROGUE RIVER LANDS Fruit and Dairy Farms a Specialty With a New Grants Pass Real Estate Firm.

The newest real estate firm for Grants Pass is Meserve & Meade, who have opened an office in room three on the second floor of the Courier block. The firm is made up of Charles Meserve, for the last two years on the editorial staff of the Rogue River Courier, and who is now secretary and manager of the Grants Pass Fruit Growers Union, and fruit inspector for Josephine county, and H. V. Meade, for the last four years foreman of the Courier's composing room and a resident of Grants Pass for the past 11 years.

Both Mr. Meserve and Mr. Meade are well known in this county and have a good standing for integrity and business ability. They will make a specialty of handling fruit and dairy lands and they expect to push the development of the fruit and dairy industries. Mr. Meserve by his thorough knowledge of this section of Rogue River Valley, gained through his connection with the fruit industry and in the various series of farmers institutes and fruit growers meetings that he has assisted in holding, will be able to give prospective buyers full information as to the various kinds of lands that are found in this Valley. The soil and formation of Rogue River Valley is extremely variable and on a single section may be found land the surface indications of which is very much the same to a stranger yet one part may be best adapted to apples, another to pears, to grapes, to peaches, or to alfalfa. While to grow either of these on land not adapted to them would bring at least a partial failure of the crop.

In probably no other section of the Pacific Coast is land so variable in surface soil, subsoil, formation and topography as it is in Rogue River Valley, and it is largely due to this that so many persons make such disastrous failures in attempting to raise fruit and other crops in this county. To give intending purchasers the fullest information possible as to where can be had the land especially adapted to the crop they propose to grow will be the rule of Messrs. Meserve & Meade and the man who desires to grow apples will not be in-

fluenced to buy red hill land, where only grapes can best be grown, nor black, wet bottom land adapted only to alfalfa, nor granite land the home of the peach. The rule will be to so treat customers that they will have no occasion to rue their dealing with the firm, but will feel disposed to commend them to their friends.

PAY YOUR TAXES.

Notice is hereby given that all unpaid taxes will become delinquent on October 1, 1906, and if not paid by that time the property will be advertised and sold for taxes. This also applies to property on which the first half of tax has been paid, the remaining half due and payable before that time. After this date an additional 1 per cent penalty will be added on the first day of each month, to the costs.
W. J. RUSSELL, Sheriff.

City Treasurer's Notice.

There are funds in the city treasury to redeem all outstanding warrants protested to February 1st, 1904. Interest on same will cease after this date.
Dated at Grants Pass, Oregon, September 15, 1906.
COL. W. JOHNSON, City Treasurer.

A Young Mother at 70.

"My mother has suddenly been made young at 70. 20 years of intense suffering from dyspepsia had entirely disabled her, until six months ago, when she began taking Electric Bitters, which have completely cured her and restored the strength and activity she had in the prime of life." writes Mrs. W. L. Gilpatrick, of Danforth, Me. Greatest restorative medicine on the globe. Sets Stomach, Liver and Kidneys right, purifies the blood, and cures Malaria, Biliousness and Weakness. Wonderful Nerve Tonic. Price 50c. Guaranteed by all drug stores.

Julius Caesar

was a man of nerve, but sickness left its mark and he became aged before his time. Sickness is often caused by a torpid liver. Herbine will regulate your liver and give you health. Mrs. Carrie Austin, Holton, Kansas, writes: "I consider Herbine the best medicine I ever heard of. I am never without it." For sale by National Drug Co. and by Rotermund.

For Fire Insurance

The O. F. R. A. of McMinnville are the cheapest and have 12 years standing without a peer in Oregon for settling fire losses. That tells the tale. Don't be deceived by other agents who have selfish motives. In no event will it cost you more than the standard stock companies charge per annum. H. B. HENDRICKS, Agent Grants Pass, Ore. 7-27 tf